

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:75
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INCREASE IN AIR TRAFFIC
PUTTASWAMY GOWDA;RUDRAGOUDA PATIL

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the air passenger traffic has steadily increased during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government are planning to start new flights from Bangalore to various destinations; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) and (b): Domestic air passenger traffic increase during the last three years is as follows:

Year	Domestic Passenger carried (in Lakhs)
1998	118.6
1999	122.3
2000	133.2

(c) and (d): Airlines are free to connect any place/routes based on their commercial judgement subject, of course, to the compliance with the Route Dispersal Guidelines which provide for certain minimum operations in specified category of routes.